this programme, 74.82 crore mandays were generated during 2002-03, 85.60 crore mandays during 2003-04 and 63.14 (as reported upto January, 2005) crores mandays during 2004-05.

Irregularities in implementation of PMGSY

3070. SHRI E.M. SUDARSANA NATCHIAPPAN: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether certain irrgularities in implementation of Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana have been found out;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken by Government to maintain the quality of roads to be constructed under the said Yojana?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI SURYAKANTA PATIL): (a) to (c) Rural roads being a State subject, the State Government is primarily responsible for ensuring the proper execution of the programme. The quality of implementation is monitored through the supervisory mechanism of the State Government, and further through the normal audit process.

A three-tier Quality Control mechanism has also been prescribed for ensuring quality at works level. The State Government, as the executing agency , is responsible for the first two tiers at the State level. A third tier of quality monitoring is enforced at the Central level by the National Rural Roads Development Agency (NRRDA) under the Ministry of Rural Development through National Quality Monitors (NQMs) who are senior retired engineers with road construction experience. They inspect works on systematic randomized basis and advise the executing machinery on all technical aspects of the programme.

Inspections by NQMs upto December, 2004 have been as follows:-

Completed works		Works in progress	
Satisfactory	Unsatisfactory	Satisfactory	Unsatisfactory
8885	953	11533	4071

Where a work is found unsatisfactory, necessary rectification is to be done in the quality of the material or workmanship. In case of unsatisfactory

completed works, the State Government is also expected to take action against the contractor at fault.

Revised Rural Infrastructure Development Fund

3071. SHRI RAVULA CHANDRA SEKAR REDDY: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the salient features of the revised Rural Infrastructure Development Fund;

(b) the reasons for revising RIDF;

(c) the amount allocated for 2005-06, State-wise;

(d) whether any district-wise allocation is made for the State of Andhra Pradesh; if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(e) whether any monitoring is being done on the utilisation of the fund, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI SURYAKANTA PATIL): (a) to (e) The information is being collected from the concerned agencies and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Rajiv Gandhi National Drinking Mission

3072. SHRI RAVULA CHANDRA SEKAR REDDY: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the salient features of the Rajiv Gandhi National Drinking Water Mission;

(b) whether all the existing drinking water schemes of the Union Government have been brought under this Mission, if so, the details thereof, if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) the total number of rural habitations in the country without proper drinking water facilities, State-wise; and

(d) whether any time bound programme has been chalked out to provide safe drinking water to all the rural habitations in the country; if so, the State-wise details thereof?